FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND NOW \$24,727.

Merchants' Exchange May Raise \$35,000 for Bereaved Families of Unfortunate Firemen.

TWO THEATRICAL BENEFITS.

Kellar and "Miss Bob White" at the Olympic and "The Telephone Girl" and "Choir Celestial" at the Grand.

The fund contributed for the relief of the families of the firemen killed in the Chestnut street fire, Pebruary 4, yesterday reached a total of \$21,77,97, which is an increase of \$1.167.25 over what had been reported the day before.

The largest domations received vesterday Secretary Morgan of the Merchants' Exhange were \$10, each from the St. Louis Car Company and the Waters Pierce Oll Company. Members of the exchange are confident that the sum of \$5,000 or \$5,000 will be ruised.

In compliance with the wishes of certain directors who fear that some persons may find it inconvenient to call upon Mr. Morgan at the exchange, The Republic will re-ceive and acknowledge donations left at its office for transmission to Mr. Morgan. Preparations are complete for the two theatrical benefits which will be given at

Preparations are complete for the two theatrical benefits which will be given at the Olympic and Grand, the entire proceeds to go to families of the deceased firemen. Chief of Podes Kirly stated yesterday that a handsome donation would be made by the police by individual contribution, in addition to which he has distributed among the different districts 1,00 tickets to the benefit performance at the Olympic, which the patrolinen will dispose of to friends along their beats.

Mannager Short of the Olympic and Century theaters has atranged for a forty-fivening the benefit which will be given Thursday afternoon. Keller's performance will increase three of his frost remarkable feats, those with the Hindoo cook, the three callines, and the minit maining. All his paraphermals will be brought from the Century Theater and the acts is exactly like those produced on that singe.

Fallowing Keller, the "Miss Rob White company will go on for the first 180 of the three acts of their play, the last having been committed as of minor imperiance, the orogramme being arranged to occupance being arranged to occupance being arranged to occupance being arranged to occupance being a real the Century we have the form of both the Olympic and the century will be present.

At the Grand Opera-house Triblay after-

acclusives of both the Olympic and the century will be present.

At the Grand Opera-house Priday afternoon the programme will include a complete production of "The T-lephone Girl,"
specialties from the Columnia to fill in bespecialties from the Columnia to fill inwith a company of nearly forty jersons.

Mannaer duries of the Grant is placarding the town at his own expense with nonters advertising the Friday-afternoon lemcit. He has attypeed of hearly \$900 worth
of theats, and will decide nothing for exposmes, turning the lumb receipts over to
the Morchants Evolution for distribution
among the families of the martyred fireiner.

among the families of the martyred dremen.

An orchestra of sixty pieces under Director Guido Vonel has been selected from
the players at the Guand, Imporata at Havints, and is being drilled for an einbornte
programme, which will close with Chopin's
"General March." The sacred music of the
"Choir Celestial" company will add to
the Impressiveness of the orchestration. The
great pipe organ of Haynes's company will
be moved over to the Grandestern grouse.
Monager Garen himself will no on with a
skatch crutical "The Manager's Woor," in
which be will be resisted by his treasurer,
John B. Fleming, and two soubrettes.

Messure, Garen and Short hope to realize
tearly \$1.000 from their benefits, which sum
will probably bring the total of the Marcentes. Exchange ford considerably above
\$25.000.

e-Hickey Manufacturi g Company, sellus 2011 Furnishing Company Manufacturing Compan de Harrison & Haward from Co. McFronald. thos Company
A Zeith her,
high Mineral Mifting Company
r Dry Plate Company
inter & City

Masks & Bros. Louis Clock and Silverware Company corre L. Stands towart Scott Pr. 200 m (Sunpany. Leschen & Sons Rose Company... hish Hensy Itilesen Charles Varrelmann Hensy Alt Diward Flad

F Carr M. Seiger Friedrich & Dro. Futniture Company.

1. Friedrich & Bro Furnitus Frincer Conjeruse Conjuny. Henry Titkemeter Unknown, from Buffalo. H. E. Helberry. Wall & Whittenesse. A Legala

V. Schafferle

St. Laufe Coffin Company
Joseph G. Holldov

F. & F. Schweickhardt

M. Schmitt

S. S. Dreyfus

Coch

Cash Mount o'to confin Company George Bra-Barkley & Imball American Credit Indemnity Co. of N. Y.,

American Chedit Indemnity Co. of N. V.,

" G. Rombrute.

" G. Rombrute.

Mrs. S. H. H. Clark.

Getters & Gilbert.

Nords Alemader.

" W. Schonert.

The White Schonler.

The Reverend D. J. Laver.

From Places. Sundre School, First Christian Charles.

thern Hotel Compa Thernort & Co. J. Nahith mologor (Can Bens,

Salveter & Stewart Walters Planters Hotel Cafe. For & Co. Julia Alexander

SWITCH BILL IS INTRODUCED. Terminal Railway Desires to Lav

the City Council yesterday a bill to authorize the Terminal Railroad Association to build a spur track from the Sixteenth street yards plang Moore street to Clark Mr. Sheehan introduced a bill to the placing of a canopy on the

McManus to place a canopy on a building located on the south side of Pine street, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets.

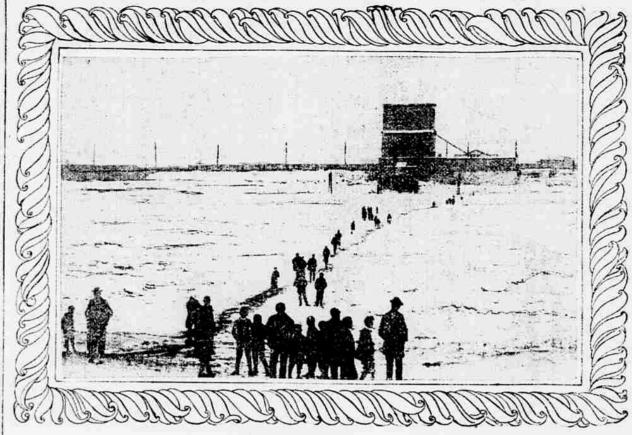
Low Rates to Dallas Reunion.

Low Rates to Dallas Reunion.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Dallas. Tex., Feb. II.—Passenger agents of all lines centering at Dallas met here to-day and fixed rates for the Confederate national reunion, to be held in Dallas April 21 to 25. Lines outside the State promulgated an interstate rate of 1 cent per mile, and Texas lines made approximately a I's cent per mile rate. The round trip from Houston will cost \$6.30; from Gaveston, \$7.30; from San Antonio, \$6.75, and from other points proportionately according to distance. This is the lowest rate my event even held in Texas has been appeared.

PEDESTRIANS CROSSING THE RIVER ON THE ICE.



CROSSING THE RIVER NORTH OF EADS BRIDGE.

WORLD'S FAIR TREE CONTRACT IS AWARDED

Detroit Company Will Transplant 700 Trees Along the Avenues of the Exposition.

Seven hundred shade trees will be transdanted on the World's Fair site by the Detroit Shade Tree Company. The contract for this attractive decorative effect at the Exposition was let yesterday by Director of Works Taylor to Edgar D. Williamson, resident of the Detroit firm.

Each tree marked by the force of Landupe Arenitect Kessier will be uprooted rom its present location on the site and emoved by the contractors to the spot desgnated along the avenues, now merely in-licated by the stakes of the engineer corps, Long before the skeleton frame of the Varied Industries Building is raised, the rows of parked trees will mark the exact ize and sweep of the main bosievards of

Mr. Williamson said yesterday that his centern was equipped to make the entire transferral in sixty days. He started for etroff hast night to prepare the bond which has been exacted for faithful performance of the contract. Apparatus and skilled horticulturists will accompany him on his recurs to St. Louis before the end of the week. He says that he will begin without any delay as soon as the bond has been executed.

President Francis of the Exposition Comany signed the unique contract late yes-orday afterness and Mr. Williamson affixed his signature for his company. The tree contract has attracted more attention throughout the country and abroad than throughout the country and abroad than the contracts for the great main exhibit structures of the World's Fair. It is the largest single tree-transplanting contract that has ever been undertaken in this country, and, so far as known, in the world. The requirest mumber of trees for replanting have not been marked on the site, and it is possible that the total number will not be obtained from among the sylvan sister-hood which has been spated from the destroying ax of the engineer. The contract with the Detroit company provides that wherever the supply of the World's Fair company is short, the contractor shall provide trees. Where a tree which has been marked for transplanting does not seem to meet the regulations a new tree shall be furnished by the contractor, at a certain t the regulations, a new tree snall be ished by the continuous, at a certain waree to be made by the World's Fair pany. The figures at which the con-t way let do not appear in the state-it made in connection with the giving

SAYS HE WILL GIVE BOND. World's Fair Contractor Rountree Explains Delay.

Delay on the part of Moses E. Rountree, entractor for the World's Fair Varied Industries building, to file his bond of \$200.000 aused a report yesterday, among other contractors, who were unsuccessful bidders against the Reuntree Construction Com-pany, to the effect that their recent op-ponent would not be able to furnish the intree stated to The Republic last

night that he would be prepared either to-day or to-morrow at the latest, to give his indemnity to the Exposition Company. He said that the delay in giving the bond was not his fault, as he had been compelled to wait for the signed contract up to last Saturday. At it was necessary for him to make use of the document in completing bis arrangements with certain bonding companies, the bond to the Exposition management had been delayed.

W. H. THOMPSON REPORTS. World's Fair Receipts on Assess

ments Are \$1,236,669.70. Brents Are \$1,230,009.40.

President Francis of the Exposition Company announced yesterday at the meeting of the World's Fair directory that the annual election of one-third of the membership of the Board of Directors would take place on March 4, at the offices of the company in the Lacede building. He said that the judges of election will be stockholders. Treasurer William H. Thempson made his monthly report, showing the total receipts on assessments to be as follows:

First call 48.67.89 First call \$ 483,672 89 Second call \$ 752,006.50

Chairman Spencer of the Ceremonies Committee announced that arrangements were being completed for a dinner, under the auspices of the Commercial Club of Beston, on February 27, to the Governors and invited guests of the six New England States. He stated that a delegation of ten or twelve would go from St. Louis to represent the World's Fair interests.

A committee consisting of Corwin H. Spencer, George W. Parker and J. C. Van Biarcom was appointed to draft an appropriate expression of sorrow on the death of Director Geo. A. Baker.

CHILE'S NEW ENVOY ARRIVES. Walker Martinez Will Confer With

World's Fair Officials. Walker Martinez, the newly appointed Minister from Chile to the United States, will arrive in the city this morning, ac-companied by Charles M. Pepper, the war correspondent. The party comes direct from the City of Mexico.

Mr. Martinez will call on the World's Fair authorities to gather information concerning the Expection Chile recently accepted the invitation of the Government to participate in the World's Fair, Mr. Martinez expects to depart for Washington tomorrow. Mr. Pepper is returning to the East from the Pan-American Congress at the City of Mexico, to which he was a delegate.

You should always read the "Help Wanted" ads. in The Republic, stood positions are advertised every day. There are one hundred and thirty-nine of them to-day.

NEW REAL ESTATE COMPANY.

J. C. Van Blarcom, S. M. Dodd and James Campbel! Incorporate Central. The Central Real Estate Company of St. Louis, with a capital stock of \$800,000, was incorporated yesterday by J. C. Van Blarcom, James Campbell and Samuel M. Dodd. The stock is divided into 4,000 shares of \$100 each. Haif of the capital stock has

The stock is divided into 4,000 shares of the each. Haif of the capital stock has been paid in.

Mr. Van Biarcom, who is vice president of the National Bank of Commerce, owns 1,331 shares of the stock. Mr. Campbell, stock broker, and Mr. Dodd, who is in the electric light business, hold 1,333 shares each. A general real estate business will be carried on.

Want a new boarding place? Look in the "Rooms for Rent" columns of to-day's Republic. One hundred and fifty places advertised.

BIT FROM DICKENS ON THE RIVER FRONT.

SITE'S DIMENSIONS.

Thomas Wright and Mores Greenwood, Jr., representing the proprietary interests in the Carlin tract, were before the Special Site Committee of the World's Pair Company yesterday. World's Fair officials of plane and specifications which are being prepared by Eames and Young and Julius Pitaman, as sug-gestions on the part of the Catlin tract owners, for the treatment of that property by the Exposition management, in case satisfactory negotiations for the lease of the tract are concluded.

An important feature in connection with

An important feature in connection with these plans, if they should be adopted by the World's Pair management, is that the definite site of the Exposition would then have been decided. Arrangements for the location of various State and other buildings which have been delayed, might under the new conditions, be carried forward to a conclusion. A notable example of the fusion which has resulted from the a termined size of the site in the case of the Illineis State Commission, which has been waiting months, for a locaton for its State

Mr. Wright indicated last night, previous to his departure for the South, that the Catlin owners had practically abandoned their demand for a permanent treatment of the River des Peres, where that stream crossed the tract on its course toward the World's Fair site.

"The owners," sold Mr. Wright, "still insist that the Exposition authorities shall either depress or raise the Colorado Rall-way tracks."

ily tracks." The expressed intention of the World's ir management is to bridge the Colorado Broad, after the manner of covering the Skinker road.

It is proposed to take care of the Wabash toad, which has leased a portion of the tract, by moving its terminal strip from its Lindell boulevard francase, back several hundred feet toward Delmar boulevard.

PINIONED UNDER STREET CAR.

WOULD DETERMINE

Catlin Tract Representatives Confer With World's Fair Committee About Proposed Lease.

"Edm. Surbled, "Jno. S. Costello, "Chas. J. Sutter, "R. P. Shinnick." A Coroner's jury yesterday held William E. Gilham, proprietor of the Empire Hotel, They informed the at Beaumont and Olive streets, responsible for the deaths of the eleven persons who perished in the fire which destroyed the hotel shortly after 3 o'clock Sunday morning. Indirectly, the city of St. Louis is held responsible for not enforcing the laws and ordinances requiring fire escapes and other equipment necessary to make a building

> Gilham was not at the inquest yesterday He is said to be en route here from Callfornia, where he went to spend the winter. Building Commissioner Longfellow was the most important witness. He said it appeared that every law and ordinance re ourring fire apparatus had been violated in the case of the Empire Hotel. In part, he said: "The ordinances require that each room of a lodging-house shall have in it a life

rope for the occupant to let himself out the window; an alarm bell in each hall to arouse the guests in case of fire, and front and back stairways. The State law specifies that all lodging-houses, hotels and public buildings shall be provided with fire es-capes. As far as I have been able to learn, there were none of these

E. W. GILHAM BLAMED

Did Not Have Empire Hotel

Equipped With Fire Escapes

as Prescribed by Law.

CITY INSPECTION IMPERFECT.

Building Commissioner Longfel

low Preparing for Rigid En-

forcement of Fire Laws

and Ordinances.

CORONER'S VERDICT IN PART.

Hotel, the jury found:

After ascribing the cause of death

of the cleven victims of the Empire .

"That the said building, Nos. 2700 .

and 2702 Olive street, consisted of two three-story dwellings used as a pub-

lic lodging-house, and owned and ◆ operated by Emory W. Gilbam; that ◆

the gold building was not equipped • by the said Emory W. Gilham with •

life lines, fire escapes and alarm •

bells, as required by statutes and or-dinances providing for public safety

in hotels and lobging-houses; that •

the deaths of the aforementioned

 is responsible for the deaths of the · eleven aforementioned persons to the extent that he did not provide proper 4

safety devives required by statute . and ordinance; that the deaths of the . · said eleven persons were also indi-· rectly due to the nonenforcement of

Has Inspected the Ruins.
"I have inspected the ruins since the fire and found that the hotel was composed of two old residence buildings, which have been thrown together by cutting archways through the partition wall on each floor. A rear stairway was taken out, too. There is no record in our office of any permit having been issued for the remodeling or alteration of the buildings."

In response to questions from the jurors Mr. Longfellow explained that it was pri-i arily the duty of the owners of buildings to comply with the building ordinances, and

PINIONED UNDER STREET CAR.

Wrecking Crew Had to Release
Joseph Scroug.

For an hour Joseph Scroug, a hack driver of No. 1201 South Seventh street, lay ploned between a fender and the platform of a Suburban car at Elliot avenue and Wash street this morning.

Scroug was struck by the car about 1 o'clock and dragged twoning feet when the conductor and motorman attempted to extricate him from beneath the car they were unable to do so. They summened a wrecking crew placed jacks under the car, raised it from the rails and then pulled Scroug from under it. He had sustained only silph injuries and was conveyed to the City Hospital.

Five hundred and eighty "Want" ads. age printed in to-day's Republic. Isn't there one of all these that will interest you?

IVER FRONT.

I arily the duty of the owners of buildings to comply with the building ordinances, and secondarily for the Building Commissioner to see that the laws were obeyed. At the present time, he explaned, there were but six dequiles under him, and it red watch the car heavy had little time for inspecting old structures. He went on to say that legislation was in progress to provide more deputies so there would be men to make a system-attein from beneath the car they were unable to do so. They summened a wrecking crew placed jacks under the car, raised it from the rails and then pulled Scroug from under it. He had sustained only slight injuries and was conveyed to the City Hospital.

Five hundred and eighty "Want" ads. age printed in to-day's Republic. Isn't there one of all these that will interest you?

IVER FRONT.

Sarguant Hail of the Eighth Police District testified that he was an early arrival on the seens, and assisted in caring for the injured and providing shelter for those who escaped. Whyn he reached the house, but found no stairway. If the building had been equipped with free ecapes, he said, he and the officers under him could not stairway, if the building had been equipped with free ecapes, he said, he and the officers under him could easily have sav

them said the building was without fire appillances.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Johnson said yesterilay that the proprietor of the hotel could not be prosecuted for manifanthier. About the only charge that might be brought against him in the State courts was the failure to provide the building with fire escapes No application has been made for a warrant against Gilham. Building Commissioner Longfellow called in Attorney Johnson and told him he would withdraw the list of persons he presented last fall for violating the fire-escape law, and would present a revised list. Mr. Johnson promises he will proceed against those who have not compiled.

Where Keyless Boxes Are Located.
The fire-slarm boxes, which are opened by turning a handle on the outer door, no keys being required, are located in the "underground-wire" district, between Wash street on the north. Spruce street on the routh, the river on the east and lefterson avenue on the west. The boxes for which keys are necessary are principally in the residence districts

ILLINOIS PRESIDENTIAL BOOM.

Judge Thompson's Friends Suggest Him for Democratic Nomination. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Jacksonville, Ill., Feb. 11.-Judge Owen Price Thompson of this city, whose tax decision a few months ago attracted widespread attention, is being mentioned by some of his friends as a presidential pos-sibility. These friends who are urging his candidacy advance as arguments his abili-ty as a juriat, his unquestioned Democracy and his strength in being without political

Contagious Is the name sometimes given to what is generally known as the BAD DISEASE. It is not confined to dens of vice or the lower classes. The purest and best people are sometimes infected with this awful malady through handling the clothing, drinking from the same vessels, using the same toilet articles, or BY CORONER'S JURY.

using the same toilet articles, or

otherwise coming in contact with persons who have contracted it. It begins usually with a little blister or sore, then swelling in the groins, a red eruption breaks out on the body, sores and ulcers appear in the mouth, the throat becomes ulcerated, the hair, eye brows and lashes fall out and, as the blood becomes more contaminated, copper colored splotches and pustular eruptions and sores appear upon different parts of the body, and the poison

Ten years ago I contracted a bad case of Blood Poison. I was under treatment of a physician until I found that he could do me no good. Then began taking
S. S. S. I commenced to improve at once
and in a very short time all evidence of
the disease disappeared. I took six bottles and today am sound and well.
R. M. Wall, Morristown, Tenn,

even destroys the bones. S. S. S. is a Specific for this loathsome disease, and cures it even in the worst forms. It is a perfect antidote for the powerful virus that pollutes the blood and penetrates to all parts of the system. Unless blood and penetrates to all parts of the system, Unless you get this poison out of your blood it will ruin you, and bring disgrace and disease upon your children, for it can be transmitted from parent to child. S. S. S. contains no mercury or potash, but is guaranteed a contains no mercury or potash, but is guaranteed a

strictly vegetable compound. Write for our free home treatment book and learn all about contagious blood poison. If you want medical advice give us a history of your case, and our physicians will furnish all the information you wish without any charge THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

TO NAME RECEIVER FOR DETROIT BANK.

♦ eleven persons were due to the ab- ♦ Overcertified Checks for \$662,000 San Francisco Inventor Writes to ◆ sence of life lines, fire escapes and
 ◆ proper stuirways from the said build Figure in Arguments Before Court. ing; that the said Emory W. Gilham .

CASHIER'S MIND IS CLEARER. BUILDING IT OF ALUMINUM.

Vice President Andrews, Whose Transactions Caused His Arrest, Talks Laconically of the Financial Tangle.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. H .- A receiver will be apointed by Judge Donovan to-morrow morning for the wrecked City Savings Bank.

At a hearing this afternoon in the Chancery Court on the appointment of a receiver, the county officers and the local Board of Education opposed the appointment of the Union Trust Company of this city, which was the choice of Banking Commissioner Maltz and the Attorney General.

The county officers and the Board of Education maintained that some of the officers of the Union Trust Company were interested in the banks which hold the \$662,000 worth of overcertified checks drawn by Frank C. Andrews, former vice president of the City Savings Bank, and contending that a receiver should be appointed who was entirely disinterested. They advocated the appointment of John M. Nicol of After hearing the arguments this city. Judge Donovan reserved his decision until to-morrow morning.

Doctor Wellings to-night reported that Cashier H. R. Andrews, who is seriously ill with nervous prostration and heart trouble, has improved considerably. He was able to sit up for a short time and his mind was clearer than it has been at any time since he broke down.

Depositors May Get 75 Per Cent. President Frank C. Pingree of the wrecked City Savings Bank was asked to-night if he had any idea what per cent the bank would be able to pay on deposits.
"It cannot be definitely stated," replied Mr. Pingree, "because it will depend to a great extent upon what is realized from the securities Mr. Andrews has turned over. I believe that denositors will receive at the contract of the contrac I believe that depositors will receive at least 75 cents on the money. That will be possible if the bank is not held liable for the certified checks put out by Vice President

F. C. Andrews, and we do not admit that F. C. Andrews was interviewed this afternoon for the first time since the City Bank

closed its doors. "I have not a penny. I am ruined," said he, "but I don't worry about myself. All that is on my mind now is to save what there is involved in this crash.

"As far no Harry Andrews is concerned, there is nothing especially wrong about it. He can take a man's note for \$5,000 if he supposes the maker to be good, can't he? And if the maker turns out worthless he has only a piece of paper to show for it. hasn't he?

"I had plenty of collaterals at the time.
It's only a case of overloans. That is all it amounts to. If they would only give me a chance and let me pull out everybody would get his money. I have got lots of equities and other things that I have not turned over to them yet, but will do so as soon as they will listen to me. I have made all the money for the bank. Now, why don't they let me get them out of the

How Andrews's Troubles Began. "That railroad concession alone is sufficient to may for every cent the City Sav-

ings Bank owes.
"My troubles began with the drop in Amalgamated Copper, and accumulated as the market went down. "These criminal proceedings are all right,

but if the fellows think they can get their morey by putting me behind the bars for a year, where I can get a rest, I am satis-

"Have I any outside debts? I don't owe a penny in Kansas City, Chicago, New York or any other place, except some money on stock in Utah mines.

"The people need not worry about the put lie funds which were in the bank. They will be all restored, although perhaps it will break the directors, who will have to make good the deficiency."

Five hundred and eighty "Want" ads, are printed in to-day's Republic, Isn't there one of all these that will interest you?

Railway Commissioners Meet.

Railway Commissioners Meet.

Charleston, S. C., Feb, II.—The National Convention of Railroad Commissioners, formally met yesterday. The report of the Committee on Grade Crossings Iooks forward to the ultimate abolition of the crossings on grades and even the ordinary railway crossings. The Legislative Committee recommended such legislation as shall cause a uniform classification of freight. They also favored giving the Interstate Commerce Commission the power to make such classification, should the roads fall to do so after a certain time has expired.

WOMAN WILL SEEK ELECTION TO ILLINOIS STATE OFFICE.

she will be the first of her sex to enter the race for the nomination of State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Her candidacy is backed by the strong resolution which comes from personal contact with the world. She has drawn from a busy experience as Superintendent of the Pulaski County schools. Mrs. Smith is the since 1882

Mesdames Colorado, Kansas. Utah and , widow of Lewis Smith, who was State's Attorney of Pulaski County when death visited him in 1879. She counts proudly upon the recollection that her father, Judge Hugh McGee, one of the Illinois ploneers, was an intimate friend of General John A. Logan. Mr. McGee was a leader in the Republican politics of the Pulaski district thirty years ago.

Mrs. Smith attended the Southern Illino's College and later taught school until her marriage. She returned to her earlier call-

His Craft. Trial Trip Will Be Made as Soon

World's Fair Company About

AIRSHIP THAT GOES

TWO MILES A MINUTE

as Device Is Completed-Will Enter Airship Tournament.

A mammoth airship, more than half completed, it has been announced by the Stanley Aerial Navigation Company of San Francisco, will be entered in the aerial tournament to be held at the World's Fair. Letters addressed to the Exposition management convey the information that the

ship is now being constructed. H. Bruckmann, secretary of the com pany, writes that the trial of the aerial giant, measuring in the clear 228 feet, will be made shortly between San Francisco and San Jose, Cal. The immense proportions of the vessel are given in the communication. The weight of the entire ship is given at 13.000 pounds and the lifting capacity of the gas at 21,000.

The craft is being constructed of aluminum, and the inventor, Charles Stanley, says that its passenger capacity will be about thirty persons, with their baggage. Accommodations for 1,000 pounds of mail matter and a similar amount of ballast have been provided. The length of the balloon cylinder is 116 feet, the length of each cone is 55 feet and the diameter of each cone is 56

Over Two Miles a Minute.

Its maximum speed is given as 130 miles an hour and the minimum speed as seventy miles. The diameter of the propellers which drive the huge craft on its flying journey is said to be 10 feet. These propellers, according to the inventor, will make 30 revolutions each minute. The horse-power used to furnish the motive force for the machine is advertised as being fifty, with provision for additional power of the same force.

Charles Stanley, George S. Graham, E. L. Snell, J. A. Born, John Bruckmann, Leo Newman and H. Bruckmann, all of San Francisco, are named as the incorporators of the company. The mechanical construction of the ship, it is claimed, has been the result of years of study of aerisi naviga-

Francisco, are named as the incorporators of the company. The mechanical construction of the ship, it is claimed, has been the result of years of study of aerial navigation by Charles Stanley. The inventor asserts in the communication to the Exposition management that every detail of the ship has been tested scientifically.

Obstacles which the Stanley invention is said to have overcome, are the method of producing aluminum cheaply enough to make it available for such a large enterprise as the invention of engines, light in weight, but very much stronger in proportion than any heretofore obtainable; manner of proportion; control over elevation; ability to descend at will and adjustable propellor blades.

A description of the Stanley airship accompanies the notification that the ship will be entered in the aerial contest. The craft is cylindrical in shape, pointed at both ends and constructed of aluminum. The body of cylindrical portion will be divided longitudinally into two parts by a partition running the full length of the ship, twelve feet above the keel. The lower part will contain the motive power, machinery, passengers, freight, mails and whatever is to be carried.

The upper part is to be divided into six compariments, which are to contain hydrogen gas to elevate the ship. Each compartment will contain an inner skin of silk, which will simplify the manner of filling these compartments and make the ship doubly secure against a leakage of gas. The lifting capacity of the gas is 21,000 pounds.

Plews the Clouds at Will.

It is claimed by the inventor that the propellers, placed as they are at the apex of each cone, being in a direct center, will have a much greater power in driving the ship backward and forward through the air than if placed on the sides of the ship, or to a suspended car below. A rudder placed under each cone will guide the ship to right and left. A series of side runners placed along the sides of the ship will elevate the ship to a higher altitude in going forward than the gas has lifted

sition.

Secretary Bruckmann says that the military rights of the Stanley ship will be sold to the United States Government, which has protected the craft by patent letters. Edward Murphy, an engineer, who was formerly connected with the Union Iron Works, in San Francisco, is quoted in the advertising matter of the Stanley company as saying that he has personally investigated the Stanley ship, and is confident that he could take it from San Francisco to San Jose and return in one hour.

Hewitt: "Is your life insured for the ben-efit of your wife?"

Jewett: "No, I den't believe in doing bus-iness in a roundabout way, and so I had the policy made payable to her second hus-band." CURES WEAK MEN FREE.

Such Forethought.

Insures Love and a Happy Home for All.

How any man may quickly cure himself after years of suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, etc., and enlarge small weak organs to full size and vigor. Simply send your name and address to br. L. W. Knapp, 755 Hull Bidg. Detroit, Mich., and he will gladly send the free receipt with full directions so that any man may easily cure himself at home. This is certainly a most generous offer, and the following extracts taken from his daily mail show what men think of his generosity:

mail show what men think of his generosity:

"Dear Sir-Please accept my sincere thanks for yours of recent date. I have given your treatment a thorough test, and the benefit has been extraordinary. It has completely braced me up. I am just as vigorous as when a boy and you cannot realize how happy I am."

"Dear Sir-Your method worked beautifully. Results were exactly what I needed. Strength and vigor have completely returned and enlargement is entirely satisfactory."

"Dear Sir-Yours was received and I had no trouble in making use of the receipt as directed, and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in

a Spur Track. Mr. Hoffman introduced, by a request, in

Franklin Hotel.

The Council passed the bill authorizing the Comptroller to compromise with St. Vincent avenue property owners on accounts relating to the opening of that street, and a bill to permit Mrs. C. S.

I looked in all directions, as far as I could | finding "ship-looking" things to remind | Logtown except one was once a boat. The stare over the wilderness, and away at the sea, and away at the river, but no house could I make out. There was a black barge or some other kind of superannuated boat not far off, high and dry on the ground, with an iron funnel sticking out of it for a chimney and smoking very cosily, but nothing elee in the way of a habitation that was visible to me. "That's not it?" said I. "That ship-looking

"Tlat's it, Mas'r Davy," returned Ham .-David Copperfield. If Mr. Peggoty came to St. Louis and | the taste, can be turned into meat in the

him of his immortal home at Yarmouth where little Emily lived and loved and suffered and was in the end forgiven. As the rea gives up the dead, so does the river give up its living. At the foot of Fillmore street, 200 ave by the river. They are the enly true freeholders in St. Louis. Their homes are on land owned by the municipality and they are required to pay neither rent nor taxes. The river brings them fuel in the shape of driftwood and food in the shape of fish, which when it palls on strolled along the picturesque river front open market. Logtown they call the place, of Carondelet he would have no trouble in and it is now icebound. Every home in extends three blocks on either side of it.

DUPLICATE OF MR. PEGGOTY'S HOUSE IN SOUTH ST. LOUIS.

one was a street car. Year after year the population of the settlement has been recruited from the ranks of river dwellers, the flotsam of humanity, who have been forced by stealthy age or family cares to cast anchor on a friendly shore. There is no poverty in Legtown. The savings of the summer carry most of the families through the winter months, and those who need may find employment in neighboring factories. An offer of charity would be spurned as an insult by these thrifty squatters. The house shown in the picture is at extends three blocks on either side of it.

Wyoming may take off their bonnets this year to Mistress Illinois, if one determined woman can depend upon the gallantry of the next State convention. The interesting element of the approaching political campaign across the river happens to be the avowal of Mrs. Hester McGee Smith that

directed, and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in the head of the Pulaski County schools she has made her work felt by her repeated election to the office of Superintendent since 1882

directed, and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in size, strength and vigor."

All correspondence is strictly confidential, mailed in plain, scaled envelope. The receipt is free for the asking, and he wants every man to have it.